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Paris la Défense, June 2<sup>nd</sup> 2005

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Re: Informations Furnished Pursuant to Rule 12g3 - 2 (b) Exemption Under the Securities Exchange Act of 1934

Please find hereby the last information given to our shareholders:

Press information:

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Sincerely yours.

Finance Department Manager

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The credit facility, which has a five-year maturity with two one-year extension options after years one and two, will be used for general corporate purposes of the company, including refinancing of the five-year credit facility of euro 550 million signed in 2003.

The credit facility has an initial margin of 22.5 basis points over Euribor which is subject to adjustments according to a leverage grid and a 2.5 basis points utilization fee in case of use exceeding 50% of the total facility.

Ciments Français has been part of the Italcementi Group since 1992. The Group is the world's fifth largest cement producer – present in 19 countries - with consolidated net sales in 2004 of Euro 4,528 million, is market leader in the Mediterranean basin, and has leading market shares in various European countries, North America and Asia.

Ciments Français is the second major cement company listed on the Paris Stock Exchange in terms of capitalization (Euro 2.8 billion at May 27, 2005).

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